



First day of school

Our new Prep students are not the only ones settling in to a new environment; our parents are settling in to the Chapel Hill school community as well. The Schools' parent support group hosts a welcome morning tea on the first day of school so new parents can meet each other and share their experiences.



Transition-to-Prep 2020

Information Session: Thursday 01 August 2019
(5.30pm-6.15pm)

A general introduction to CHSS, our Prep Team and our approach to teaching and learning in the early years.

Kindergarten Visits: Term 4, 2019

Chapel Hill Prep Teachers may visit your child's kindergarten environment – allowing them to more easily plan for continuity of learning and development.

Story-Time Sessions: Friday 11, 18, 25 October 2019 (2.30pm-2.50pm)

Our Prep Teachers share stories and rhymes – helping to familiarize your child with our staff and our campus.

Smart Start Program: Thursdays 7, 14, 21, 28 November 2019 (9.00am-10.30am)

A series of four orientation sessions held each Thursday in November.

Parent-Child-Teacher Meeting: Friday 24 January 2019

An optional visit to your child's Prep Classroom just prior to the first day of school.

First Day of School: Tuesday 28 January 2020

Students start their exciting journey of learning and independence.

Parent-Teacher Evening: Term 1, Week 2, 2020

Routines and practical issues that arise in the first weeks of school.



Preparing for Prep

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Starting school is an important time for children and their families - a time of change that can be both challenging and exciting. We know the significance of a positive experience for all, and our 'Transition to Prep' program includes a range of activities, events and initiatives designed to help bridge the gap between kindergarten and school and ensure a successful start for each child.

We welcome and encourage you to visit our school on a number of occasions prior to your son or daughter starting school, so you can meet teachers and get to know the facilities.

Kindergarten to Prep Transition



At CHSS we organize a number of events to provide parents and students with specific information and orientation well before the school year commences.

The first 'Transition to Prep' Information Session held in August provides interested parents of pre-school aged children with information about the early years curriculum and insights into a typical day in Prep.

Members of the Prep Team are available to answer questions and help explain the curriculum.

Late in the year prior to starting school, enrolled families are invited to participate in our 'Smart Start' Transition to Prep Program – a series of four orientation sessions that provide our incoming Prep students with an opportunity to get to know their new environment and look forward to starting school.

From a teaching & learning perspective, the visits provide the best possible beginning to a rich and rewarding educational experience.

With permission from parents, email addresses are exchanged after the final transition visit, allowing parents to organize

'Play Dates' with new classmates in the weeks prior to the start of school.

Every care is taken to ensure your child is ready to start school and will be able to adapt to the change.

Chapel Hill Prep teachers may visit your child's kindergarten environment and consult with your child's kindergarten teachers – allowing them to more easily plan for continuity of learning and development.

We know that continuity between settings helps children feel secure, confident and connected and ensures that each child has a successful start to school.